

Only death certain in Grayson County

By TERRY LEONARD
Associated Press Writer
SHERMAN, Texas (AP) — It's said only death and taxes are certain. But now in Grayson County you can't be so sure about taxes.

Officials in this North Central Texas city say the county's tax situation is in limbo.

Roger Sanders, the Sherman lawyer who represented the county in a suit that sought to change the county's system of assessing property tax, said

Wednesday there is no way to evaluate the impact of a Monday ruling against the county.

He said the county's ability to raise taxes won't be known until the judge signs the final order.

The lawsuit, filed by the Grayson County Taxpayers Association, challenged the system most Texas counties use to assess property taxes. Lawyers for the association argued that the present system is unconstitutional because intangible personal property, such as stocks,

bonds and bank accounts, are not included on tax rolls.

State District Judge W.C. Boyd granted an injunction Monday blocking the certification of the county's tax rolls until they are amended to include "all" personal property.

Emma Case, secretary and one of the organizers of the Grayson County organization, said the suit has attracted the attention of taxpayers interested in filing similar suits in other Texas counties.

"We have had people from

East Texas, West Texas, South Texas, Tyler, Brownwood, McKinney and other parts of the state attend our hearings and express and interest in what we are doing."

She called Boyd's ruling a "victory so far" and said her group is prepared financially to continue all the way through the appeals system.

Sanders said it is "a no big deal case" that will have no impact outside Grayson

County. "It has nothing to do with the so-called tax revolt," said Sanders, who added that in his opinion the case is a "manufactured crisis."

Sanders said State Rep. Bill Sullivan, D-Gainesville, who represented the plaintiffs in the suit, told him that he was "out to bring this whole thing to a head."

Sullivan has told reporters he plans to present the Grayson County lawsuit as a warning of the chaos that could result if existing laws that require taxing of

money, stocks and bonds were widely enforced.

He said Boyd's decision will strengthen his arguments to legislators, but he denied the suit is a ploy to increase his political strength.

But Sanders said he is optimistic the decision will be overturned.

Sanders said the county will appeal the ruling by challenging the jurisdiction of Judge Boyd and the practicality of taxing intangible personal prop-

erty. He said the appeal process will begin no later than Tuesday.

A property revaluation that prompted the suit was ordered six years ago by State District Judge Dee Brown Walker of Dallas. Sanders argues that it should be in Walker's jurisdiction to decide if the revaluation meets his order.

State Rep. Bob Bush, D-Sherman, whose district includes most of Grayson County, said he thinks the final decision in this case will vindicate the county.

"This case is nothing new," said Bush. "Others have tried the same strategy in other counties and the courts have always ruled that a tax assessor cannot be required to do what is administratively impossible to do."

County Judge Les Tribble said the county commissioners will fight the decision "all the way." He said the suit is nothing more than a "sign of resentment against paying any taxes — federal, state or local."

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Learning Swimming Basics

Youngsters in one of the Red Cross swimming classes are learning the basics of a swimming stroke at the Pampa Municipal Swimming Pool. The Red Cross is currently teaching its first session, with a second

session beginning July 17. The classes that are currently being offered are beginners, advanced beginners, intermediates and swimmers. The classes are taught by four water safety instructors and four aides.

(Pampa News photo by Ron Ennis)

Israeli warplanes fly over Beirut

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Seven Israeli warplanes thundered over Beirut today in an apparent warning to Syria and show of support for Lebanon's Christians, beleaguered by a six-day Syrian siege. Israel declared it was "committed" not to let the Christian population be annihilated in Lebanon.

Flying low, the jets screamed in off the Mediterranean a few hours after Syrian gunners gave the Christian half of Beirut one of the heaviest poundings in the war-torn history of the Lebanese capital.

The Israeli military command said the planes were on a reconnaissance mission and

took no action. But Eliahu ben-Eliassar, director-general of Prime Minister Menachem Begin's office, told reporters in Jerusalem the Syrians "are performing a massacre" and "we have promised and committed ourselves not to let the Christian population be annihilated in Lebanon."

Asked what Israel intends to do about the Lebanese situation, he replied, "We shall consider steps to be taken not to let the Christians be annihilated." He would not elaborate.

The jets broke the sound barrier and caused panic throughout the city. At the sound of the sonic booms, residents thought the planes were rocketing Syr-

ian positions in support of the Christian militias the Syrians are trying to batter into submission.

The move was seen as a signal to Syria to ease up on its campaign against the Christians, which has killed almost 200 Lebanese since Saturday. The Christians are allied with Israel against the Palestinians in southern Lebanon.

The Israeli jet mission came after a seven-hour Syrian barrage during which the Voice of Lebanon, the Christian Phalange Party's radio station, said more than 1,200 Soviet-made Grad and Katyusha rockets smashed into six residential neighborhoods and the port area.

The outgunned Christians repelled with machine guns and armor-piercing rockets. The Syrian bombardment subsided at daybreak, but the police reported snipers kept up their fire through the morning.

Syrian casualties are not known.

Heavy rains flood Minnesota city

ROCHESTER, Minn. (AP) — Seven inches of rain in less than six hours sent flood waters six feet deep swirling through southeast Rochester. Police said at least nine persons were believed drowned and several others were missing.

The bodies of three wheelchair patients and a nurse's aide were recovered from an elevator in the flooded basement of the National Health Enterprises nursing home. The four had been included in the count of nine feared dead.

Three cars believed to be carrying several persons plunged into the swollen Zumbro River and the occupants were feared drowned. Two boaters were reported missing.

Flash-flooding knocked out power and telephone service to parts of Rochester, blocked roads to the city and forced the evacuation of more than 4,000 persons. The famed Mayo Clinic in downtown Rochester was not affected, however.

"We have some real concern about how many we're going to find dead," said Olmsted County Sheriff Charles Vonwald.

Minnesota Gov. Rudy Perpich called out the National Guard to assist in rescue operations.

Names of the victims whose bodies were recovered from the nursing home elevator were withheld until relatives could be notified.

Witnesses told police the four were trying to go to higher floors to escape rising water. County Deputy Coroner Paul Belau quoted witnesses as saying the nurse's aide pushed the

button to go up but the elevator went down to the flooded basement instead.

Teachers report violence, vandalism increasing at alarming rate in schools

DALLAS (AP) — After Hank Springer turned in a student who tried to rape a colleague, the 6-foot, 200-pound former teacher was hit over the head and knocked unconscious by three of the students' friends. He needed surgery to restore hearing in one ear.

"I wish I could tell you it was an extreme case," Springer said Wednesday during an interview at the National Education Association convention. "But it's just not. There's another Los Angeles delegate here who was raped last year." Springer, head of United Teachers of Los Angeles, was one of many teachers at the gathering who said violence and vandalism in the schools has been increasing at an alarming rate.

In a survey released today, NEA estimated 3 percent of public school teachers were attacked by students this year — about 60,900. Most serious physical attacks on teachers occur in junior high and high schools, but elementary schools are not

immune, statistics show. However, teachers said the violence problem has not been acknowledged by many superintendents and school boards who believe admitting the problem will reflect poorly on their abilities.

And the teachers claim their districts refuse to allocate the necessary funds to develop effective programs to combat violence and vandalism.

Jackie Barrineau, a staff member of the Classroom Teachers Association in Orlando, Fla., said her school board rejected scientifically compiled CTA statistics showing that the number of violent incidents this year was three times higher than what the board reported. The teachers came up with 100, the board 33.

"When you've got a district like ours that won't face the problems, you can't solve them," she said.

Frustrated by the lack of district support, Orlando teachers are creating a community "discipline council" to deal with

those problems, Ms. Barrineau said.

John Ryor, NEA president, agreed that official district reports often seriously misrepresent the violence and vandalism problems.

"Their extent is greater than ever imagined because of a massive cover-up by administrators who don't want a blot on their records or a police report and consequently treat teachers as if they are the problem," Ryor said. "But what 10 years ago were scattered schoolhouse pranks and disturbances today have evolved into serious violent crimes of crisis proportions."

Although the causes of violence vary from district to district, most teachers believe that a lack of discipline at home is the major factor, the NEA survey said.

"The permissive society is a big reason — as students lost respect for their parents, respect for teachers eroded," said Springer. "And kids aren't worried about being punished. The

three students who assaulted me were right back in school after that."

Other teachers attributed the rise in violence to increased television viewing of violent programs and family patterns in which youngsters go unsupervised for long periods of time. Overcrowded classrooms also contribute to an unruly atmosphere, they said.

Rapes and assaults are more common in large cities like Los Angeles, the teachers said, but they stressed that vandalism is a universal problem.

"The major problem in our areas acts against property — like smashing windows, but there are isolated assaults, too," said Lisa Kulcsar, a kindergarten teacher in Ogden, Utah.

Texas tax relief must differ from California voter order

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas legislators looking for a magic tax-relief remedy have been told that what worked in California won't work in Texas. Joint meetings of two House committees on tax relief legislation resumed work today as they awaited Gov. Dolph Briscoe's formal call for a special session opening Monday.

Most of the House committee talk Thursday concerned Proposition 13, the state constitution change voted in Cali-

fornia to limit taxes and spending to certain levels.

"It was a great thing in California but I would hate to see it in Texas," James McGrew, executive director of the Texas Research League, "I'd prefer almost anything to Proposition 13."

He said California has only 57 taxing units in the state while Texas has 2,241. Texas's property taxes are much lower than California's.

McGrew estimated that if the

Proposition 13 theory was applied to Texas, more than half of the benefits would go to businesses instead of homeowners, farmers and others who could not pass the taxes on.

"The overall impact in California is devastating," said Walter Lillie, assistant state comptroller, of Proposition 13. "Texas is immensely ahead of California in terms of having a reasonable tax burden on our citizens."

Top O' Texas Rodeo Bolo Ties went on sale today at various locations in Pampa.

The ties sell for 50 cents each and can be used to purchase merchandise at reduced prices during rodeo week.

This promotion, sponsored by the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association and Pampa merchants, is being conducted to help create a more western atmosphere in Pampa during rodeo week.

The ties are a bright yellow with the Top O' Texas Rodeo emblem on them.

They may be purchased at the rodeo office in the Chamber of Commerce, and will be available at the following businesses: Alco Discount Store; C.R. Anthony Co., downtown and Coronado Center; Belcher's Jewlery; Clay Brother's T.V. and Appliances; Granny's Korner; Las Pampas Galleries; M.E. Moses Co.; Phetteplace Shoes; and Rheams Diamond Shop.

Ties should be purchased as early as possible since limited quantities are available.

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Pampa's forecast calls for partly cloudy with a chance of thunder showers mainly this afternoon and tonight. The high today and Friday will be in the mid-90s; reaching near 70 this evening. Winds will be southerly 15-20 mph, decreasing to 10-15 mph tonight. The probability for rain is 20 percent today, 30 percent tonight, and 20 percent Friday.

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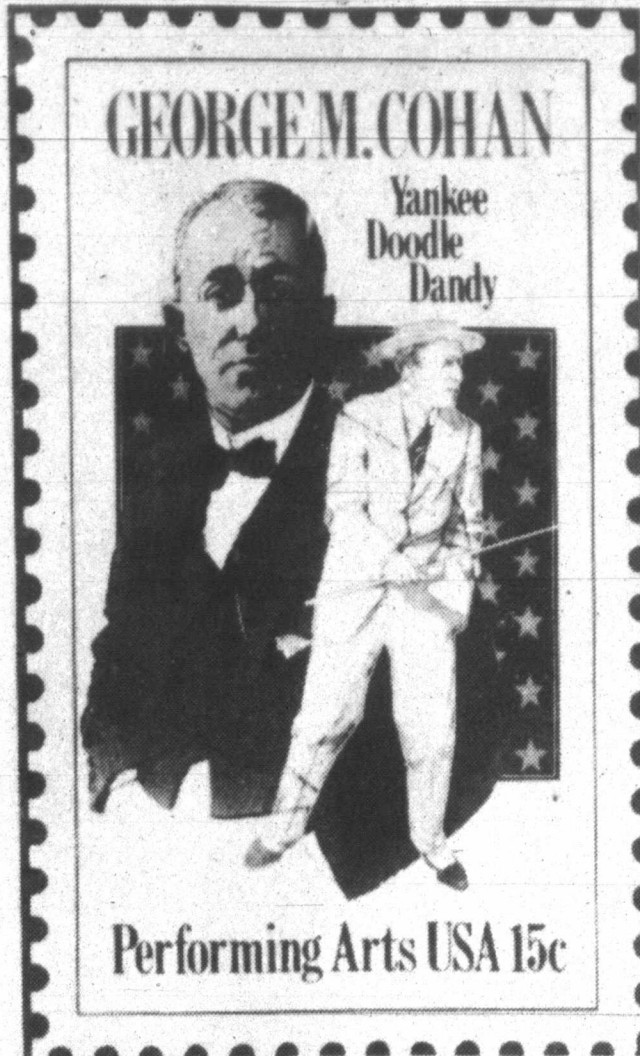
By R. GREGORY NOKES
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — The government says Americans should brace themselves this year for the biggest consumer price increase in four years — a 7.2 percent boost sparked by higher food prices and the decline of the dollar.
The cost of living projection released by the administration today is about 1 per cent higher than the official forecast of last January.
If it holds, Americans would feel the worst bite in their wallets since inflation pushed consumer prices over 12.2 percent in 1974.
The administration said prices next year probably will rise 6.5 percent, also worse than it had forecast previously.
"The price level forecasts for 1978 and 1979 emphasize the need to find ways to control inflation," said the adminis-

tration's midyear review of the economy and the 1979 budget.
The Agriculture Department said June 29 in its midyear review it was standing by its prediction that consumer food prices will rise by 8 percent to 10 percent this year.
This means that a typical urban, wage-earning family of three that spent \$53.21 a week on food last year will spend \$58.46 a week this year.
For its statistical market-basket of foods, which does not include fish or imported foods and beverages, the department predicts the hypothetical three-person family will spend \$2,178 for groceries in 1978 — or \$191 more than last year.
Declines in the value of the dollar have added as much as 0.75 percent to the inflation rate this year. Federal Reserve Chairman G. William Miller estimated last spring.
Because the dollar's value has fallen against the Japanese yen, for example, the price of imported Toyota cars has increased at least five times in the past year.

Autopsy set in Fritch death

FRITCH — An autopsy has been ordered in the Wednesday afternoon shooting death of Carrol L. "Ray" Thompson, 40, a Fritch city councilman.
Justice of the Peace Nadean Spinks ordered the autopsy after Mr. Thompson was found in his home about 5 p.m. Wednesday.
Mr. Thompson was a gun collector. However, Chief of Police Jim Hudson and Hutchinson County sheriff's deputies investigating the death refused to say if a gun was found near the body.
Mr. Thompson was an area representative of Xerox Corp. and had been elected to an unexpired one-year term on city council in 1977 and to a full term in April.

The worsening inflation will cause the economy to grow at a slower pace both this year and next because of declining consumer purchasing power and a slowdown in government efforts to stimulate economic growth, the administration said.
A number of economists both in and out of government are saying the worsening inflation rate could bring on a recession sometime next year.
But the administration said the current outlook still is for an acceptable economic growth rate of 4.1 percent this year and 4.3 percent in 1979.
The current unemployment rate is 6.1 percent.



GEORGE M. COHAN, possibly the most exuberantly patriotic entertainer ever to appear on the American stage, is the subject of a new U.S. commemorative stamp. This is not the first time the self-described "Yankee Doodle Dandy" has been honored by the government; Congress awarded Cohan a special Medal of Honor in 1940 for such World War I tunes as "Over There" and "You're a Grand Old Flag."

Blind demonstrate about no-cane rule

WASHINGTON (AP) — "Hey, hey, whatta you say? Please don't take our canes away!"
That was one of many chants raised by about 1,000 blind persons on Wednesday as they demonstrated outside Federal Aviation Administration headquarters against a regulation that requires blind passengers to surrender their white canes during airliner takeoffs and landings.
The demonstrators, some led by guide dogs, others helping one another, marched in a orderly circle, tapping their canes on the pavement and carrying signs proclaiming: "FAA Unfair to Blind Travelers," "Fly Me, Cane and All" and "Canes Are Not Baggage."

Three-year loan barley may be redeemed and sold by farmers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmers who have barley stored under the government's three-year loan program can now redeem their grain and sell it for cash if they choose.
The plan commits participating farmers to hold grain for three years or until market prices rise enough to trigger its release. Under this formula, barley prices have gone up enough so that the grain can now be sold, the Agriculture Department said Wednesday.
Although barley is a minor grain crop compared with corn and wheat, the release of about 25 million bushels stored under the three-year program is the first time any of the grain has risen enough in price so that farmers can pay off the loans and sell it.
Assistant Secretary Carol Tucker Foreman, who acted in the absence of Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland, said that the national average market price for barley is now about \$2.20 a bushel.

Under the program's formula, participating farmers agree to keep their barley in storage — off the free market — for three years or until prices rise to 125 percent of the loan rate of \$1.63 a bushel, whichever comes first.
Thus, the release or trigger price for barley is \$2.04 a bushel. Since the current market price is higher, the barley is now available to be redeemed by farmers. This is done by paying off the loans.
Ms. Foreman said that the department will review the barley price again on July 31 and that, if it continues above the \$2.04 release level, the grain will continue to be available for redemption. If the price is below the trigger, the USDA will cancel the barley release order. The barley in the three-year reserve was signed up by farmers since last Dec. 6, when the grain became eligible for the program. At that time barley prices averaged \$1.79 a bushel.
Another feature of the reserve plan involves payments to farmers for storing the grain. This amounts to 25 cents a bushel annually for most grain — including wheat, corn and barley — and 19 cents a bushel per year for oats.
Under the formula, corn stored in the reserve can be released when market prices rise to \$2.50 a bushel, which is equal to 125 percent of the loan rate of \$2 a bushel. Wheat can be released when market prices rise to 140 percent of the loan rate of \$2.35 a bushel — \$3.29 a bushel.
Wheat and corn prices currently are substantially below the release levels in the program's formula. The mid-June farm price of wheat, for example, was \$2.80 a bushel, while corn was \$2.27 a bushel.
Other prices, including those paid at selected grain markets, are used in addition to mid-month prices published by USDA in determining figures used in the reserve program.
If prices rise to even higher levels, the formula specifies that farmers must repay the loans or forfeit the grain to USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation in lieu of payments. Prices in the case of barley and other feed grains would have to rise to 140 percent of the loan rate and wheat would have to go up to 175 percent — \$4.11 a bushel — before repayments are mandatory.

Ms. Foreman said that if a farmer chooses to redeem his barley he can keep the storage payments earned through the date that the loan is repaid or, if the loan is not repaid, until the end of July.
If the July 31 review shows that barley prices still are above the release level, a farmer can continue storing his grain under loan but the government storage payments — slightly more than two cents per bushel each month — will stop.
In addition to the 25 million bushels of barley in the farmer-held reserve as of June 30, wheat stored in the program totaled about 354.5 million bushels; corn, 104.1 million bushels; oats, 27.4 million bushels; and sorghum, 14.8 million bushels.
WASHINGTON (AP) — Imports of foreign hamburger-type beef were up about 16 percent in the first five months of this year against the same period of 1977, according to the latest government figures.
Through May, the imports totaled about 683.8 million

pounds, up from slightly less than 521 million in January-May of last year, the Agriculture Department said Wednesday. The figures were based on U.S. Customs Service reports.
A month ago President Carter decided to allow an additional 200 million pounds of foreign beef to enter the United States in the second half of this year to help ease soaring retail meat prices.

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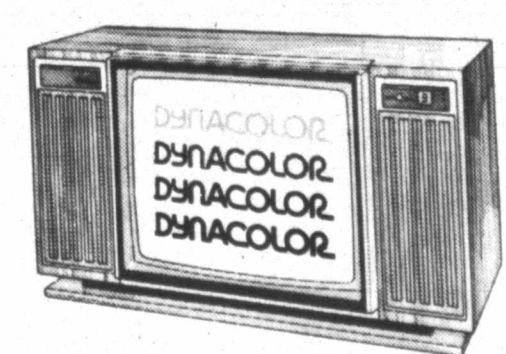
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Ever since I've been old enough to read a newspaper, I've been confusing you with your sister, Ann Landers. It wouldn't be so bad if you were an advice columnist and she was a pediatrician. But no such luck. America has only two famous advice-givers worth their salt and they both came from the same parents!

DEAR LEW: No cloning here. We are identical twins, but we've been referred to as "cyclones"

DEAR ABBY: My mother and my boyfriend (who lives with me) are at war. My mother thinks my boyfriend is using me because he lives with me, and my boyfriend thinks my mother is trying to run my life.

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DEAR P.C.S.: Your suggestion may be the "safest," but it's not always possible. I would recommend securing the services of a lawyer. The person you designate to see that your wishes are carried out ("the executor") has the law on his side should your wishes be ignored by your heirs.

Ask Dr. Lamb

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

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Polly's pointers

By Polly Cramer

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Women should stop living up to myth

By CAROL DEEGAN

NEW YORK (AP) — Carol Suphina says its time for women to stop trying to live up to the "Superwoman" myth.

"I don't know why modern day cliches are harder to fight than the traditional ones," she said. "We all laugh about the blushing bride and pink and white babies. But somehow the idea of being a 'Superwoman' maintains itself. We read about it all the time. And we fantasize about other women being more capable than we are."

Mrs. Suphina says part of the "Superwoman" myth is that "every Superwoman is super-organized" — and is therefore able to handle her various roles with ease.

"Well, I like to think I am organized, and yet what used to constitute just changes in my life when I was home with my daughter now constitute upheavals. Babysitters get sick, children get sick, babysitters quit for better jobs."

"My daughter's school closed for a week last year because of the energy crisis. I was organized, she was supposed to be in school. And that's where the craziness comes in. Because there's a constant need to re-make your time, rebudget your time, again and again," she said.

There's another myth that Mrs. Suphina would like to get rid of. The one that says "having a job makes a woman more interesting to her husband."

Father forced to find cleaning lady

HERE'S HOW

By VIVIAN BROWN

AP Newsfeatures

A father of four was recently indoctrinated into the fine art of choosing a cleaning lady. His wife was ill.

It was no small financial transaction, \$6 an hour, and he needed the help once a week for eight hours. He learned a lot from three experiences, and he passes on some suggestions that might be helpful to others:

"Better not choose the hired hand for a Monday — she may be sleeping off a Sunday bender while you wait to give instructions before leaping on the train for work."

"She may telephone and chose to do her own bargaining tomorrow."

"When she arrives, she will delay you with one of the many tales that cleaning persons seem to have on tap. There are the car problems — motor trouble, bad battery, brakes and the like. You name it. Her car can muster it up. Or if it isn't the car perhaps it was her husband or children taken suddenly ill or she had to drive a child to a day camp because the bus broke down."

"Be sure the wine or liquor bottles are kept out of reach. If she is to be there alone, she'll find them if she is inclined to nip while your wife naps. I leave out a few empty bottles and store current bottles with neighbors."

"She may have no respect for your towels. She may wad up wash cloths and guest towels and use them with abrasive cleaners. The cleaner-upper may have popped them into the

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"Well, I like to think I am organized, and yet what used to constitute just changes in my life when I was home with my daughter now constitute upheavals. Babysitters get sick, children get sick, babysitters quit for better jobs."

"My daughter's school closed for a week last year because of the energy crisis. I was organized, she was supposed to be in school. And that's where the craziness comes in. Because there's a constant need to re-make your time, rebudget your time, again and again," she said.

There's another myth that Mrs. Suphina would like to get rid of. The one that says "having a job makes a woman more interesting to her husband."

Teenage makes good comeback

By RICH KIRKPATRICK

Associated Press Writer

YORK, Pa. (AP) — Tom, a teasing 14-year-old always ready with a quip, is making a comeback.

Just a few months ago, Tom

not his real name — was a teenager in trouble. His father wouldn't exercise any authority over him and his mother was uptight and nervous about dealing with him. On a spree, he and some friends broke into a bicycle shop near his Maryland home, but were caught.

Many times, such a case would land the teenager in an institution. But Tom was referred to the Pennsylvania Youth Advocate program, a 3-year-old privately run project.

Instead of stewing in a lock-up, Tom was given a full-time advocate, Ralph Smith, who provides advice, guidance and a chance to live in a normal family setting. Tom is staying with Smith, 33, a bachelor, for a six-month trial period. If the arranged works, it will be extended.

"We always have nice times," says Tom, leaning over a chair in a local bowling alley. He, Smith and several other kids and their advocates had

just finished one of their regular outings. "I've changed a heck of a lot. I've become a real lot better. I think I've been getting better grades," Tom says.

Smith says he is pleased with Tom's progress. Tom had been having trouble in school; he had twice failed the seventh grade and was discouraged about ever getting anywhere in class.

Sensing that something physical was wrong, Smith had Tom checked and it was determined the boy had a reading problem. He was given a tutor.

"We've started to see the beginning of the climb," Smith says. "He's begun to pass some of the courses he's had trouble with."

Working with youth is a specialty of Smith's. He had been a Christian youth worker, a juvenile court counselor and is youth director at his church.

Smith, who was attracted to the youth advocate program by

more interesting as a person, the day-to-day intimacy of a marriage is much more difficult to maintain when both you and your husband are absorbed in your work, you're both tired, or you simply don't see each other. And that's true many nights, especially if you're trying to work out child care on a standard basis," she said.

Despite her busy life, Mrs. Suphina finds time to appear on panel discussions about women and work, sponsored by the Clair Co.

There's a tremendous quality in good, clean living. We're trying to keep them from being second offenders," he says. Referring to Tom, he adds: "At age 14, he's still flexible. By 16, he'll never change."

"If there's not something positive for a kid, where does he go? Prison? Do we want to see him incarcerated half his life?" Smith says. "It doesn't make sense."

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Progress and a toad face off

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — In what is called one of the most comprehensive studies to date of homosexual lifestyles, the Kinsey Institute has concluded most homosexuals do not exhibit bizarre behavior and are generally as well-adjusted as heterosexuals.

The report said that, in many cases, "the chief difference between the two groups involved

only the nature of their sexual preference."

Financed by a \$500,000 grant from the National Institute of Mental Health, the researchers reached their conclusions after in-depth interviews of nearly 1,000 homosexual men and women in the San Francisco Bay area.

A control group of 477 heterosexuals was used in the study,

conducted by Alan P. Bell and Martin S. Weinberg under the auspices of the Kinsey Institute for Sex Research at Bloomington, Ind., which has been studying sexual attitudes for 40 years.

"Relatively few homosexuals conform to the hideous stereotype most people have of them," the report said. It as-

serted the lifestyles of homosexuals cannot be lumped together into one stereotype any more than those of heterosexuals.

The original interviews were conducted in 1970 and the findings are to be published in August.

Twelve percent of the men and 5 percent of the women were classified as "dysfunctionals" and were described as "the group in our sample which most closely accords with the stereotype of the tormented homosexual."

However, 10 percent of the men and 28 percent of the women were living with same-sex partners in a monogamous relationship and "hardly differed at all from the heterosexual sample and in some cases actually appeared better adjusted."

Fifteen percent of the males and 10 percent of the lesbians were described as "swinging singles" and were the "least likely to regret being homosexual...."

Among other conclusions in the study:

—About half the men and almost two-thirds of the women said they had no regrets about their sexual orientation.

—Ten percent of the men worked in occupations associated with homosexual men, such as hairdressing and decorating; about 10 percent of the women were working in so-called "masculine" jobs.

—About two-thirds of the men had contracted a venereal disease, while virtually none of the women had.

—About one-third of the women and about 20 percent of the men had been a partner in a heterosexual marriage and half of them had children.

—Men do a great deal more "cruising," seeking sexual partners, than women, who are more likely to have a single mate.

To ensure a cross-section of the population, Kinsey researchers sought homosexuals for interviews through homosexual publications and organizations and in bars, baths and public "cruising" areas, such as certain parks.

Study shows homosexuals don't have bizarre behavior

HOUSTON (NEA) - For many years Houston has been the fastest-growing major city in the nation. And it's not been by accident. There is no community planning here, nor are there zoning regulations. Big is beautiful in Houston, growth is great — and nothing has been allowed to stand in the way of expansion.

Until now, that is. Now a thumb-sized amphibian known as *Buffo encinensis*, or the Houston toad, threatens to disrupt the developmental way of life in America's fifth-largest city. The toad is an endangered species; if it is to be saved, residents here may have to forego some of their expansionary plans.

The Houston toad is nothing particularly special. It is two inches in length, undistinguished in color, one of about 20 toad species in the country. Yet government scientists say it is part of the life cycle, as is everything else, and so every effort should be made to protect it from the possibility of extinction.

The toad was discovered in 1953, and existed then in large numbers throughout Southwest Texas. However, it could not compete with man. Now biologists believe it survives in only three areas: two counties near Austin, and in Houston. Nobody really knows about Houston. Since 1975, only two of the toads have been found here.

If the toad does still live in Houston, government scientists say they are authorized by law to protect it. That

means as much as 17 square miles of the city's open land could be declared to be "critical toad habitat," and the United States would then do all it could to inhibit development or even occupation of the space.

This possibility does not amuse many people in Houston. Some of the land in question is already tagged for housing or business construction. Contractors in one area are scheduled to build 14,000 homes. City fathers are worried that industry may wither and jobs may be lost for the sake of "this daddratted toad."

Many millions of dollars are at stake, says one developer, David Wolfe. The situation reminds him of the worry in Tennessee, where a federal court has saved a three-inch fish called the snail darter by holding up construction of the \$116 million Tellico dam. "It's insane," says Wolfe, "it's hard to believe."

Believe it or not, the government is serious about the Houston toad. A team of state and federal biologists has identified five areas of the city where the toad is presumed to survive. Another team, from the University of Houston, is presently under federal contract to find the creatures and estimate their population.

The search has not been easy. Dr. David Jamison, who leads the hunters, says the Houston toad is an elusive, shy thing that can be found only during the rainy season. In the winter, and during dry months, *Buffo encinensis* buries itself in

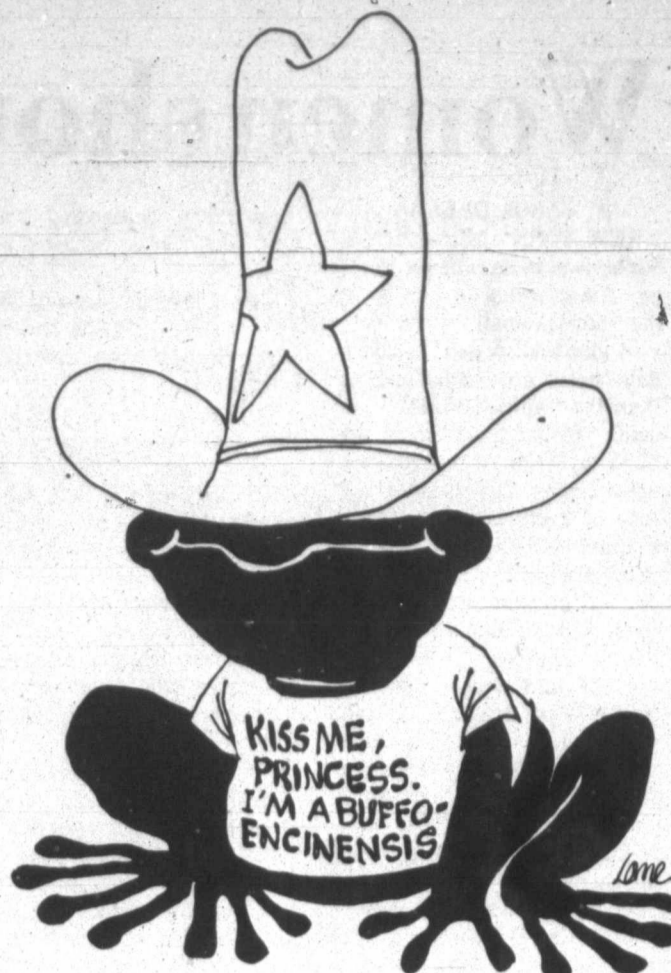
sandy soil, where in effect it dries up for months of hibernation.

Jamison says the toads may wake up for only a few weeks each year. Then, passionately, they conduct a ritualistic orgy of procreation. The male sends out a loud, distinct mating call. Two lovers meet. Biological functioning follows. The eggs are laid. And metamorphosis takes place. All before the rainy days ebb.

Dr. Jamison has until August to find the toads. And he hopes that he does. Never mind the industrial potential of the land, he says, the saving of a species is of far greater importance. Jobs? Jamison insists that an innocent amphibian should hardly be blamed if man is not able to solve his pesky social problems.

The forces of growth argue that the existence of the single species is not of critical consequence. Who misses the passenger pigeon? But Jamison replies that all life is vital. He says scientists are currently studying the rare blind salamander, for instance, in hopes of finding out how to prevent human eye trouble.

Government biologists say at least 41 species of mammals have disappeared in the last 100 years. Some predict that 25 percent of the earth's 10 million plant and animal species will die out by the end of the century. And man won't be the last to go, says Dr. Jamison: "We need the others to survive ourselves."



Supreme Court upsets tire suit judgement

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The family of a test driver killed when a tire blew out on his tractor-trailer rig lost a damage suit today against the Armstrong Rubber Co.

The Texas Supreme Court reversed earlier rulings that had awarded \$87,000 to the widow and son of Clemente Urquidez and ordered a "take-nothing" judgment.

Urquidez worked for Automotive Proving Grounds Inc., a tire-testing facility near Pecos. The test grounds contracted with Armstrong Rubber to provide test drivers.

Urquidez was driving an Armstrong-provided rig at 60 mph in April 1972 when the left front tire blew out. The rig overturned, killing the driver. The tire that blew out was

not itself being tested and had never been sold by Armstrong.

No vacation fishing for relaxing Carter

By FRANK CORMIER Associated Press Writer
CAMP DAVID, Md. (AP) — President Carter, spending a long holiday here, can pursue virtually all his recreational interests within walking distance of his luxury lodge. But he can't fish.

The lack of a fishing stream or pond at this Marine-guarded mountaintop retreat is a bit ironic since Camp David is surrounded by public parklands that offer some of the best angling hereabouts.

And Carter, who shares an avid interest in fishing with wife Rosalynn, never has ventured outside the camp gates to fish, although he's made a couple of dozen visits.

The reason may be that Carter, used to the relatively flat turf of Georgia, isn't accustomed to slogging in waders over wet rocks in swift-flowing mountain streams.

The president does most of his fishing in ponds and quiet coastal waters, venturing into the Atlantic for deep-sea fishing about once a year. For instance, he and his wife and daughter Amy put to sea a week ago off the Virginia shore in search of tuna, king mackerel and bluefish.

More commonly, the Carters

enjoy Tom Sawyer-type fishing for broom, the southern name for bluegill.

"They're probably the first fish a kid catches," an outdoorsman volunteered, "and the last for an old man."

The Carters go after bream, a member of the sunfish family, more like kids than senior citizens.

There are no bream at Camp David. But there are fine facilities for swimming, tennis, bowling and hiking — all activities that Carter enjoys.

Carter is the first president since Dwight D. Eisenhower to have more than a passing interest in fishing.

During one trip to the Colorado Rockies, Ike landed so many trout he began frying them on the spot for his Secret Service bodyguards and White House reporters.

A newsman, as a joke, told Eisenhower that a particular bodyguard was inordinately fond of trout, so Ike heaped his plate high.

Once the fish had been consumed, the reporter informed the president that the Secret Service agent would enjoy more but was too shy to ask. So another heaping plate was forthcoming.

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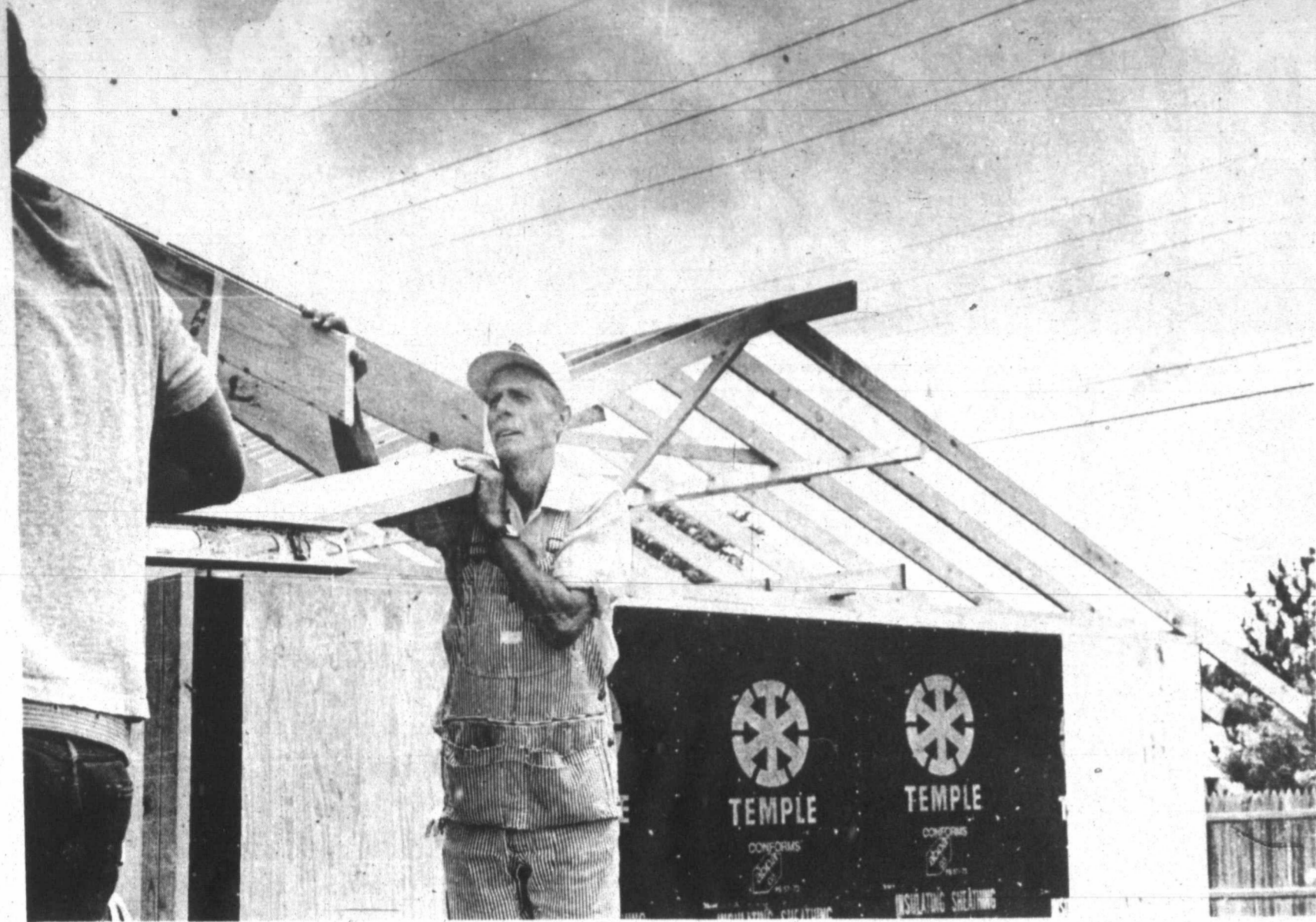
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Checking the evenness of the eave extensions, James Beesley prepares to put on a 2x6 board to complete another of his many constructions. This house in the 2500 block of Beech Street will have a hexagonal

shaped room and a sun beam rafter, both new but not over-challenging to the carpenter.

(Pampa News Photo by Eugene Laycock)

Houses, churches orchestrated by veteran carpenter foreman

By EUGENE LAYCOCK
Pampa News Staff
Bam! Bam! Bam!
The sound of pounding nails fills the hot afternoon air, echoing the solid symphony orchestrated to build many homes.
The conductor-foreman James Beesley has carried out more than a thousand of these building compositions during his 22-year career as a carpenter.
Beesley, a 62-year-old who claims to be 49, moved to Pampa in 1959 from Wheeler where he began his carpentry career.
His first four years in Pampa were spent working with Highland Homes which died out shortly thereafter. The last year, Beesley was made foreman of his own crew.
In 1963, he was employed by Top O' Texas Builders, as foreman, and is presently building one of their homes on Beech Street, where more of his constructions stand.

Peering underneath a yellow cap that sets off his reddish brown face, his intense blue eyes study the concrete area on which a patio roof is to be erected.
"I'd rather have a pier and beam," Beesley said, referring to the more recent concrete slab foundations. "It's easier to do work under, like plumbing."
In peer and beam construction, concrete was poured in four feet ditches to outline the general shape of the structure, then a wood floor is built as a foundation for the building.
The concrete slab structure also starts with a cement outline of the future form; however, the wood floor was replaced by a cement one, which hardened around the pipes.
The carpenter has noticed other changes.
He explained that the lumber yards receive bad lumber. "We get nothing but rejects,

any more." The timber is less straight with more knot holes.
Beesley also said that the new innovation of nailers, which mechanically drive nails, "don't do as good a job as a hammer."
With a nailer, he said, "there are too many places you can't get to."
He remembers when a couple of carpenters built a house with nailers, and the rafters came off. "They had to nail them on with hammers," he reminisces with a big smile.
During these changing periods, he has built many

structures in Pampa, as well as in Perryton, Wheeler, Lefors and McLean.
Many of the homes in the reservation residential area, the streets of Comanche, Navajo, Kiowa, Washita and Laguna, were results of his work.
He built several houses on Evergreen and two blocks of houses on Zimmers. Half the houses on Lynn and all the houses on Lea, except for four, were constructed by Beesley and his crew.
Church construction in Pampa, McLean, and Lefors are

also to be accredited to the labors of Beesley and his men.
Each home can be completed in approximately a week, if the weather permits. Heavy rains and snows sometime slows down work because the electrical equipment, such as the saws, might short-circuit in the water.
Yet, in 100 degree and freezing weather, the carpenter will be found hammering nails that are soft from the heat or cold to the touch as he has done the past 22 years, combining several complexities into one living unit.

Woman's job is too prevent Carter goofs

By JAMES GERSTENZANG
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP)—Using neatly lettered charts and, pretty soon, a spiffy new computer, Anne Wexler is trying to get a handle on the kind of faux pas President Carter would rather have avoided.
If she does her job correctly, perhaps the president will not offend the nation's mayors again, as he did last month when he refused to address their national convention in Atlanta.
Because Ms. Wexler is now in charge of drumming up support for the Carter administration's policies before and after they are enunciated, a group of Greek-Americans was invited to a White House meeting with the president.
Perhaps they did not like what they heard. They went away saying they were unconvinced by Carter's argument that the embargo on arms shipments to Turkey should be lifted.
But the session showed that the president may be learning from his critics who have said the White House has not followed through after pitching controversial policies to the Congress.
In its biggest personnel maneuver since settling down nearly 18 months ago, the Carter administration brought into the White House Ms. Wexler and a media-master, Gerald Rafshoon, to improve the president's image, and placed Carter's former appointments secretary, Tim Kraft, in a post overseeing political operations.
Ms. Wexler is responsible for "constituency building"—the nitty-gritty work of lining up interest groups with built-in pow-

er to help win public support and congressional approval for the president's programs.
To help her, she will soon have a computer that will keep track of all national conventions taking place around the country. Are bankers, who might have something to say about mortgage aspects of the urban policy, meeting in September? Check the computer.
When an assistant secretary of the treasury will be in Chicago to talk to some stockbrokers, will there be any other group he might want to say hello to? Check the computer.
How is the president's urban policy legislation doing in Congress? Check the charts leaning against the wall in Ms. Wexler's sunny, second floor office almost directly above Carter's private study in the White House west wing.
Yellow lines show where the legislation is in the executive branch before it is actually proposed. Blue lines chart its progress in the Senate and red lines mark progress in the House.
All this is part of the effort to get a handle on the president's problems.
Ms. Wexler conceded in an interview that "people are a little unclear as to what the president has done and why he is doing it."
A recent Associated Press-NBC News poll showed that approximately two-thirds of those questioned disapproved of the job Carter is doing.
"We understand what the polls are telling us," Ms. Wexler insisted.

Artist reminds citizens of first Americans' plight

IOWA FALLS, Iowa (AP)—Peter Toth is an adopted American who has taken on the mission of reminding fellow citizens of the plight of the first Americans.
For nearly eight years, the Hungarian-born artist has been working his way across the country, leaving a trail of log and stone sculptures as memorials to the suffering of American Indians.
Iowa Falls is the site of Toth's 28th monument, dedicated on the Fourth of July to the Sac Fox and other midwestern tribes that have disappeared in the last 100 years of "expansion and progress."
The 33-foot Indian head was

carved from a century-old cottonwood felled by a lightning bolt. The monument stands in the city's midsection on a bluff overlooking the Iowa River.
Toth, 31, says the sculptures are his silent, artistic protest against the "betrayal" of the Indian.
"I am protesting against the plight of the Indian," he said. "Against the theft and trickery through which we took this land. We left them with barren waste to suffer poverty and prejudice."
"But, my protest is constructive... one of giving, not destruction," he said. "I want also to honor the Indian as the proud, brave and dignified

people they are."
Toth said he has studied Indians since before he "adopted" the United States at age 11, when he moved with his family from Europe to Ohio 20 years ago.
His interest turned to an inspiration that in 1970 led him to leave his college studies for the open road to tell of the Indian's plight in his special way.
Toth set out on the mission he believes is his destiny with a mobile home, a five-pound mallet, a chisel and a dream of sculpting a monument for every state in the union.

Massachusetts known as 'Taxachusetts'

By DAVID KAYE
Associated Press Writer
BOSTON (AP)—They're calling it "Taxachusetts," this state where tax revolt spawned the Boston Tea Party. Two centuries later, tempers are rising again.
Three separate tax-cutting proposals have gotten serious attention in the legislature, and when Californians voted last month to slash their property taxes, it warmed the hearts of tax rebels here.
"California is a bargain compared to Massachusetts," says Jack Conway, a real estate agent who wants property taxes cut in half.
A constitutional amendment to keep taxes at present levels passed one legislative test last week and may make it to a 1980 referendum.
Two other plans in the legislature command attention: ordering rebates if property taxes exceed eight percent of income, and limiting property taxes to 2.5 percent of fair market value.
Just how bad are taxes in "Taxachusetts"?
Consider the O'Neills, a fictional couple who make \$19,900 a year. Say they live in a home with a market value of \$40,000 in Haverhill, 50 miles north of Boston. They own a new car worth \$4,500 and an older one worth \$3,000, have two children and file joint tax returns.
They pay \$1,740 in property tax (4.35 percent of value), plus:
—About \$2,500 in federal income tax.
—About \$1,000 in Social Security tax.
—About \$900 in state income tax.
—About \$600 in state sales tax, auto excise tax and gas taxes.
Total taxes: \$6,740, more than a third of income.
They have \$13,160 left to spend.
(The figures are based on fig-

ures supplied by the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation, a taxpayers lobby supporting the rebate bill).
If that doesn't impress you, consider this:
In California, Proposition 13 halved the average property tax by limiting it to 1 percent of value. Massachusetts taxes are already so high that halving bills would leave an average 2.4 percent rate. The average rate is 4.7 percent of market value.
And in Boston, where property taxes are higher than in any other U.S. city, a \$40,000 home is taxed at about \$2,500 a year.
On top of that, residents pay a 5 percent state income tax plus a .75 percent surtax, a 5 percent sales tax, and a 6 percent meals tax.
The result: a recent Boston Globe poll shows three out of four taxpayers favor cutting property taxes to 2.5 percent, but the figure drops to 64 percent when they are reminded that services may be cut, and to 50 percent when reminded the cuts could produce social unrest.
So local tax action has ranged the gamut.
The Cambridge City Council approved an 8 percent budget increase with little complaint, and Scituate taxpayers refused to cut nearly \$200,000 from their police and refuse pickup budgets.
But taxpayers have hacked apart budgets at town meetings elsewhere, echoing a feeling evident in national polls that one way to make cuts is to cut the number of public employees.
"What we want to do is shake the fat out of the government's administrative and bureaucratic departments," says Conway, the real estate agent who wants property taxes halved.
Somerville residents cut \$4 million from a \$46 million budget. Clerks won't be fired, but retirees won't be replaced.

Marshfield cut the selectmen's and town accountant's part-time help, and cut ranks of non-school employees by 10 percent over three years.
"They are crippling important services provided by town government," Town Administrator Guy V. Lapriore fretted—in vain.
There are many reasons for the high taxes here.
One is that many older industries have moved away, leaving communities heavily reliant on property taxes. The state has more programs for the poor and ill than many other states, mandates many programs for which towns must pay, and requires them to agree to send all labor negotiations to binding arbitration. School committees are autonomous, their budgets rarely subject to direct public approval.
"We are absolutely handcuffed by state-mandated programs," says Brockton councilman Thomas Kennedy.
"What isn't mandated comes under collective bargaining. I can understand how people feel helpless. I feel helpless."
Many cities, notably Boston, have also been generous in granting tax-exempt status to property owned by churches and colleges, and many taxpayers say there are simply too many government employees.
All that adds up to a dramatic dilemma when tax cuts are considered.
If California's new one percent limit were applied, the tax bill on Boston's typical \$40,000 home would fall from \$2,500 to about \$400.

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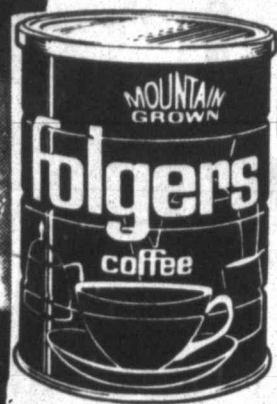
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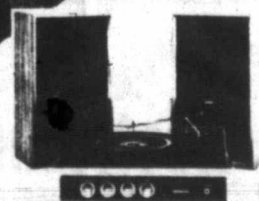
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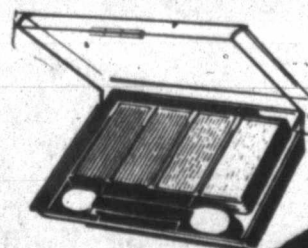
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Mini courses destroy sacred Texas traditions

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
Associated Press Writer
HOUSTON (AP) — One lady wanted to know what Texas hero Sam Houston said following his baptism in a river when asked if his sins had been washed away.

The lecturer replied without hesitation "He said 'I hope so, but if they were, Lord help the fish down below.'"

Another speaker destroyed the myth of the tall, muscular Texas cowboy of the 1800s by telling an audience the average cowpoke was merely five feet, five inches tall.

Even the Texas longhorn, usually portrayed with its majestic horns turned gracefully upward, is no longer sacred. Another lecturer noted the longhorn's rack more often was twisted and uneven, occasionally with one horn pointing up and the other one down.

Newcomers (and some native Texans) to the state might not have a forum to ask such questions if it weren't for a course called "Living Texas" created this year at Rice University.

With more than 1,000 "foreigners" immigrating to Houston weekly, its founders felt

there was a need for a course to teach people how to be Texan.

"We were afraid all these people would come to Houston and become isolated in apartment complexes and would not take part in community life," said Mary McIntire, who along with Linda Driskill, started the series of mini-courses through the Office of Continuing Studies at Rice.

The first series of mini-courses included lectures on accounts of early Texas settlers, Texas banking and international trade, 20th Century Texas Politics and a popular

course called "Is Anybody Running Metropolitan Houston?"

Other courses will teach outsiders how to talk Texan, cook Texas chili, eat jalapeno peppers and hunt, fish and sightsee throughout the state. Others deal with Texas music, heroes, architecture and the first Texans.

"There is so much myth about Texas that we wanted to establish a course where newcomers to Houston could separate the fact from the fiction," Ms. Driskill said.

Jean Hardin, who moved here from Shreveport, La. last

September, took the course on Houston politics and found that someone does run the city.

"I was amazed at the amount of money spent by the city and the complexities of running a city government that size," she said. "I've always known that Texans were good at tall tales and this course did nothing to dispell that."

"I always like to start out with a couple of wild stories," said lecturer John L. Davis, director of research at the Institute of Texas Cultures in San Antonio. "They seem to expect it."

Louis lectured in the Living Texas series recently on the history of the famed Texas Rangers and again had to separate some of the myth from fact.

"They weren't really as fierce looking as they often looked in early day pictures," Louis said. "Some of them actually wore suits when they were working in towns."

The most famous Texas Ranger story deals with a call for the Texas Rangers to help quell a riot. Only one Ranger showed up and announced "Well, there's only one riot

isn't there?"

Unfortunately for the legend of the Texas Rangers, Davis has been unable to confirm that specific incident. "But I've come pretty close," he said. "There are many confirmed instances of similar Ranger actions."

McIntire says the lecture presented by Rice political science professor Gilbert Cuthbertson on Texas politics is one of the most entertaining in the series.

Rather than clearing up any misconceptions newcomers might have about Texas politics, Cuthbertson says "I think

more of them think I have the misconceptions. A lot of the people in the course have known some of the politicians involved in Texas scandals so I try to be careful with my antidotes."

Cuthbertson said one woman objected to his light treatment of the George Parr political machine in South Texas. "She lived in South Texas during those days and she said it wasn't too funny if you had lived through it," Cuthbertson said.



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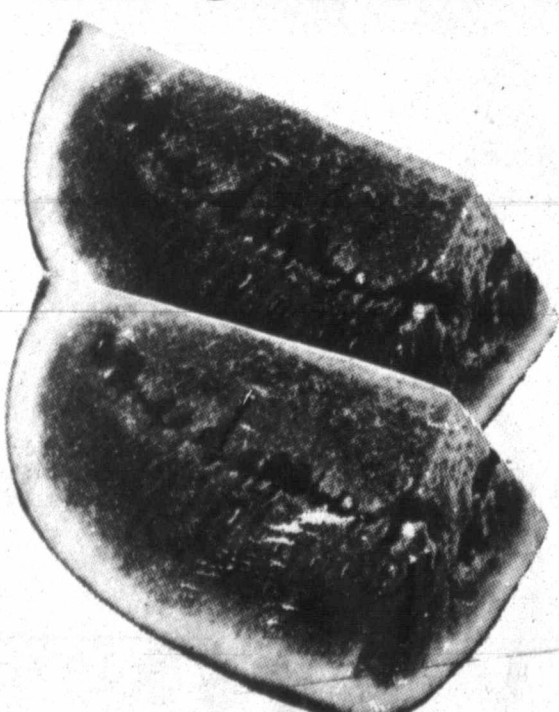
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Preplanning can avoid high funeral costs

Nobody likes to think about death, but avoiding the subject can make you vulnerable when you have to handle funeral arrangements.

The National Funeral Directors Association said the average funeral for an adult cost \$1,348 in 1976, the latest year for which complete figures are

available. And that figure does not count burial expenses, clergymen's fees, flowers, etc. which can double the bill. A Federal Trade Commission

report recently recommended that funeral directors be put under federal regulation — a move opposed by the industry association. If the FTC adopts

its staff proposals, funeral directors would have to give customers itemized price information and would be prohibited from such practices as misrepresenting legal requirements and requiring a casket for cremation.

To protect yourself, you should learn ahead of time what is involved in the average funeral. The FTC report noted that grief-stricken customers are "in a peculiarly vulnerable position and enter the transaction (with a funeral director) in an especially weak bargaining

position." Howard C. Raether, executive director of the funeral directors' group, disputes the view that consumers are ignorant about funerals. "There are courses on death in grade schools, in high schools, in college," said Raether. "I don't buy the stories of ignorance."

Funeral homes use several pricing methods, including single-unit, bi-unit and itemization. The latter method, already required in some states and proposed by the FTC staff on a national basis, provides

the most information; each component of the funeral is listed separately. Single-unit pricing means one figure is quoted for funeral arrangements; you have no way of knowing exactly where your money goes. With bi-unit pricing, the funeral home divides the bill in two parts — professional services and the coffin.

Other costs include: use of the funeral home, transportation of the body and mourners, flowers, clergymen's fees, newspaper announcements and copies of death certificates.

The coffin is the single biggest factor in determining the cost of a funeral. More than half the coffins used in the United States are steel; the rest are wood or more ex-

pensive metals. Prices vary according to the material of the exterior and the lining and padding. To cut costs, a growing number of Americans are joining funeral or memorial societies, non-profit groups designed to provide advance information and planning on simple, low-cost funerals.

Fortune went for women, gambling

By ERIC KHAMER
Associated Press Writer
KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Some say Willie and Floyd Mayweather blew a \$3.5 million Oklahoma oil inheritance on women and gambling. Others say they never got that much.

But the two brothers didn't change much over 47 years; they continued to work as hod carriers and kept the same friends. Now that they're dead nobody's sure what happened to the money. "They blew the money," said

Leo McKamey, who heads the hod carriers union local in Kansas City. "It ain't hard to do if you got a drinking habit and like the girls."

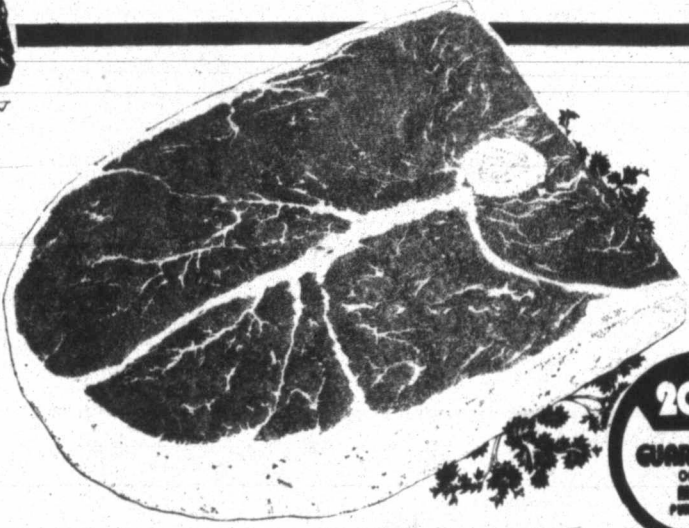
of gambling on the street it would raise the economy of this whole area."

The two brothers were divorced on the same day in 1947. The wives got \$1,500 each. Floyd remarried. Willie never did.



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- 9 Same (prefix)
- 12 Earth's axis end
- 13 One (Ger.)
- 14 Over (prefix)
- 15 Spheres
- 16 Repeating from memory
- 17 Freeze
- 18 Nattiest
- 20 Jobs
- 22 Broke bread
- 23 Moral transgression
- 24 Benches
- 27 Is curious
- 31 Persuade
- 32 Rough hair
- 33 Debtor's note
- 34 Inordinate self-esteem
- 35 Fuss
- 36 College dance
- 37 More drenched
- 38 Looks like
- 40 Shag
- 41 Environment agency (abbr.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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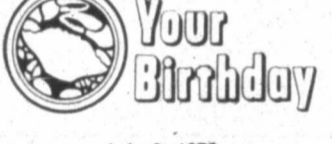
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- 5 In itself (2 wds.)
- 6 Tumult
- 7 Pismire
- 8 Convention
- 9 Osiris' wife
- 10 Slurp
- 11 Source of metals
- 19 Ands (Fr.)
- 21 Ampersand
- 23 Rise
- 24 Goes to court
- 25 Therefore
- 26 All excited
- 27 Buzz
- 28 Island republic
- 29 Lodging
- 30 Adds up
- 32 Gradation
- 35 Breed of cat
- 36 Rustic nobleman
- 38 Wildebeest
- 39 Watch secretly
- 41 Devoured
- 42 Soil deposit
- 43 Rolls out
- 44 Thorny shrub
- 45 Walk in water
- 46 Words of understanding (2 wds.)
- 47 Distribute cards
- 48 British nobleman
- 51 Urchin

Crossword grid with numbers 1-58.

Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



July 6, 1978

Function in areas with which you're the most familiar and your financial prospects look exceptionally bright this coming year. If you're not locked in on any area, chances are you'll now find what you're looking for.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Over the next few days conditions will grow much more stable for you. It will be a good time to build, so set your sights accordingly. Having trouble selecting a career? Send for your copy of Astro-Graph Letter by mailing 50 cents for each and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, P.O. Box 489, Radio City Station, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to specify birth sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Things you're interested in that affect you directly can be accomplished now, so why not spend as much time as you can today on your personal affairs?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Solitude is necessary today to get things accomplished the way you like them to be done. Seek out places where others can't interfere.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Intimacies won't be nearly as much fun for you today as being with

lots of people. Your gregarious mood needs expression.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Over the next few days important goals can be realized if you take things one step at a time. Lay some ground rules today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You have implicit faith in your ideas today and will not be easily dissuaded. It's a good time to execute your plans.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Ride herd on an interest you share with another. Gains are likely if you put forth the necessary time and effort.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) The tact you display today could set the stage for opening negotiations over an issue needing a solution. Put your best foot forward.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The attention you pay to your well-being and health today will pay dividends tomorrow. Try to get plenty of exercise, fresh air and eat balanced meals.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your feelings of security come out of the social reforms today make a concerted effort to strive for a good rapport with all.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Looking out for the needs of others fills a need for you today. If you have no little ones to take care of, you'll find plenty of big ones to mother.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Tackle tasks which require the flexibility of your mind. Your mental aptitude is particularly sharp today.

By Milton Caniff

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By Gill Fox

"What are the leftovers du jour?"

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

WHO IS THAT SITTING WITH THE KING?

HIS HALF-BROTHER, THE EARL OF GLOUSTER...

...AND HE'S NOT SITTING

By Roger Bollen

YEAH... YOU'RE ENTITLED TO ONE PHONE CALL... GO AHEAD.

THANKS!

...RIGHT! THAT'S TEN BUCKS TO WIN ON NUMBER SEVEN IN THE THIRD RACE!

EEK & MEEK

LOOK, I'M A MAN OF VERY FEW WORDS

I KNOW... BUT YOU SURE USE THEM A LOT

By Howie Schneider

MARMADUKE

PREPARE THE END IS NEAR

"No one ever told me the end would be like this!"

B.C.

WHAT'S THAT?

IT'S SORT OF A CONVERSATION PIECE FOR ONE'S CAVE.

IS IT A STALACTITE OR A STALAGMITE?

SEE WHAT I MEAN?

By Johnny Mar

PRISCILLA'S POP

Another one of those dumb coffee table books!

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I'd like to see one that's really important sometime!

By Al Vermorel

Like 'Great Doghouses of the World'!

WINTHROP

MIRROR, MIRROR, ON THE WALL, AM I THE PRETTIEST PARROT OF ALL?

HACK HACK

KOFF

KOFF

KOFF

HACK

THAT'S A MIGHTY CONVENIENT COUGH YOU'VE GOT THERE.

By Dick Cavalli

LEY OOP

WHO'S THIS 'OLD ONE' YOU SAID KNEW WE'D BE HERE?

HE IS THE HEAD OF OUR COUNCIL AND GIFTED WITH THE THIRD EYE!

HE'S GOT THREE EYES?

NO, MY FRIEND... THE THIRD EYE IS THE MIND'S EYE!

...IT ENABLES ONE TO KNOW AND SEE THINGS OTHERS CANNOT!

FOR INSTANCE, THE OLD ONE KNOWS YOU ARE CALLED MR. A... AND SHE IS MISS O!

OH!

OH!

BUGS BLINNY

BUGS'S BEANERY

By Steffel & Heimdahl

SORRY, PORKY, MY WATCH WAS A COUPLE O' MINUTES SLOW!

MUNCH GOBBLE!

THE BORN LOSER

THAT FLU SHOT YOU GAVE ME, DR. BASSETT...

...IT WORKED!

FRANK AND ERNEST

WINE and SPIRITS

WHAT DO YOU HAVE THAT WILL KNIFE THROUGH THE TRIVIA AND GET RIGHT TO THE MEANING OF LIFE?

PEANUTS

OKAY, WE'LL RECEIVE ON THIS SIDE

THAT'S NOT FAIR!

THAT MEANS WE HAVE THE SUN IN OUR EYES! WHY DO WE ALWAYS SERVE WITH THE SUN IN OUR EYES?!

SEE? DIDN'T I TELL YOU? 'CRYBABY' BOOBIE COMPLAINS ABOUT EVERYTHING!

I THINK THE NET IS TOO HIGH! THESE BALLS FEEL DEAD! I CAN'T PLAY ON A SLOW COURT! THESE BALLS ARE TOO LIVELY! I THINK THE NET IS TOO LOW!

SHORT RIBS

OOOPS

CHATTER CHATTER CHATTER

SUMMER DOESN'T LAST LONG IN SIBERIA.

Rangers 3, Yankees 2

By CHARLES RICHARDS Associated Press Writer
ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — When Texas outfielder Richie Zisk came to bat in the eighth inning, he saw a gap in the right side of the infield between Yankee first baseman Chris Chambliss and second baseman Damaso Garcia.

sage in the eighth with runners on second and third and nobody out.
Matlack, winless on the road, is 7-2 in Arlington Stadium.

first for the game's final out. "I should have gotten Nettles' ball, and when it got through I thought it was a base hit all the way. Nettles is a dead pull hitter and I was shocked when it came back to me."

Evert, Navratilova in finals

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Who's No. 1 will be decided, at least for the moment, on Friday when Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova meet in the finals of the Wimbledon tennis tournament.

door season. Navratilova established herself as the game's top player, crushing any pretender to the crown worn for the last several years by Evert.

form, she said after disposing of Wade, who won last year. "I hope it will happen in the final — it's leading up to that."

NBC attempts glamorous coverage

By CHRISTY BARBEE AP Sports Writer
There's something in the nature of a back-handed compliment in NBC's coverage so far of the tennis championships at grand old Wimbledon.

platform tennis champion Hilar Hilton, a member of the network color team. And they tried to charm us with a dashed-together account by John Newcombe of his 1971 Wimbledon victory.

ton discussing the effects of Wimbledon on her diet and of Newcombe's reflections as we did of this year's contestants.

Sports scoreboard

Texas League
Texas League Standings
By The Associated Press
Eastern Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Shreveport	7	3	.727	—
Arkansas	6	4	.600	2 1/2
Tulsa	5	5	.500	4
Midland	3	7	.300	6 1/2
Amarillo	4	6	.400	2 1/2
San Antonio	4	6	.400	2 1/2

Western Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland	6	3	.666	—
El Paso	5	4	.555	1 1/2
Amarillo	4	5	.444	2 1/2
San Antonio	4	5	.444	2 1/2

Wednesday's Games
San Francisco 5, San Diego 4, 10 innings
Philadelphia 7, New York 5
Cincinnati 2, Houston 1
Chicago 5, St. Louis 1
Atlanta 9, Los Angeles 8
Only games scheduled
Thursday's Games
Atlanta (Nieto 9-1) at Los Angeles (Rhoden 7-4)
San Diego (Owchinko 5-7) at San Francisco (Knepper 8-5)
Montreal (Grimsley 11-4) at Philadelphia (Kaal 5-1), (n)
Chicago (Lamp 2-0) at New York (Espinoza 6-7), (n)
Pittsburgh (Rooker 3-5) at St. Louis (Denny 8-6), (n)
Only games scheduled
Friday's Games
San Francisco at Cincinnati, 2, (1-n)
Montreal at Philadelphia, 2, (1-n)
San Diego at Atlanta, (n)
Chicago at New York, (n)
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, (n)
Los Angeles at Houston, (n)

Baseball
Baseball At A Glance
By The Associated Press
AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	54	24	.692	—
Milwaukee	42	35	.543	12
New York	46	35	.568	10 1/2
Baltimore	45	36	.556	10 1/2
Detroit	39	41	.488	16 1/2
Cleveland	37	43	.463	18 1/2
Toronto	29	52	.359	26 1/2

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	41	22	.652	—
Chicago	41	27	.603	4 1/2
Pittsburgh	38	29	.569	7 1/2
Montreal	39	43	.475	11 1/2
New York	31	48	.392	19 1/2
St. Louis	31	48	.392	19 1/2

FLOYD'S AGGRESSIVE NEW YORK (AP) — Golf star Ray Floyd believes in playing the game aggressively. He says it is the only way he can play well.

MIDLAND WHIPS El Paso, 10-4
By The Associated Press
Javier Fierro drove in five runs with two homers and a sacrifice fly Wednesday night as Midland coasted to a 10-4 Texas League baseball victory over El Paso.

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Reds beat Astros

CINCINNATI (AP) — Paul Moskauer finally won a game, beating the Houston Astros 2-1, and the Cincinnati Reds got into a crucial series with the San Francisco Giants trailing the division leaders by only 2 1/2 games.

have beaten the throw home," Virdon added.
Reds third baseman Pete Rose, who had increased his hitting streak to 21 games, then threw Cruz out at home after fielding Luis Pujols' grounder.

I didn't consider taking Moskauer out even after he had thrown 115 pitches, because when Cruz singled he became a base-stealing threat if I had put Bair in then," Anderson said.

Riggs: Connors' secret weapon

By WILL GRIMSLEY AP Special Correspondent
WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Jimmy Connors has a new secret weapon in his tennis arsenal — a counselor and confidante, half court jester, half Merlin the Magician.

Why would I rush up and tell me I had to play so-and-so in the next round," Riggs says his association with Connors dates back to the days when Gloria brought her precocious 16-year-old son from Belleville, Ill., to the West Coast for expert tutoring.

Three teams fill NL All-stars

NEW YORK (AP) — Led by Philadelphia teammates Greg Luzinski and Larry Bowa, the Phillies, Cincinnati Reds and Los Angeles Dodgers dominate the National League All-Star squad.

Luzinski polled slightly more than 3.5 million votes to lead the National League team while Bowa polled 3,396,054 votes, second-highest.

Softball tourn in Perryton

The Perryton YMCA Softball Council is sponsoring a slo-pitch invitational softball tournament July 28-30. It is open to the first 26 teams entering and entry fee is \$50.

Final NL vote tabulation

NEW YORK (AP) — Final tabulation of fan voting for National League All-Star positions:
CATCHER
Johnny Bench, Cincinnati, 2,442,201; Steve Yeager, Los Angeles, 1,952,494; Bob Boone, Philadelphia, 1,842,080.

Need rooms

The weekend of July 23 will be the Tri-State Seniors Golf Tournament. The participants are 55 years and older.

Rollie Fingers of San Diego, Pat Zachry of the New York Mets, Los Angeles' Tommy John and Phil Niekro of Atlanta.

NBCGC begins

MALLEN, Texas (AP) — The eighth annual National Basketball Coaches Golf Classic gets underway today with University of Texas basketball Coach Abe Lemons, the winner for the last two years, denying he is out to capture the title again.

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Next auto accessory — trip computer

By MARSHALL SCHUON
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NEW YORK — Once upon a time, the classified ads bragged about a used car if it had R&H or WW's. Then, when everybody had radios, heaters and whitewall tires, the things to advertise were auto trans, 8-track and full power. And the next progression, if General Motors has its way, probably will be trip comp, standing for Trip Computer, perhaps the first really new auto accessory since Packard introduced air-conditioning back in 1940.

"We expect that by 1981 nearly all General Motors cars will have one," says Diane Copty, a 28-year-old project engineer who helped develop the dashboard gizmo that tells drivers everything from how far they can go on the gas in their tank to when they'll get there.

At the moment, Miss Copty is in the back seat of a Cadillac that is moving along with about as much noise as an electric watch. The picture would make a slick ad for perfume or high fashion, but there is one thing wrong. Diane Copty is looking like Vogue and talking like Popular Electronics.

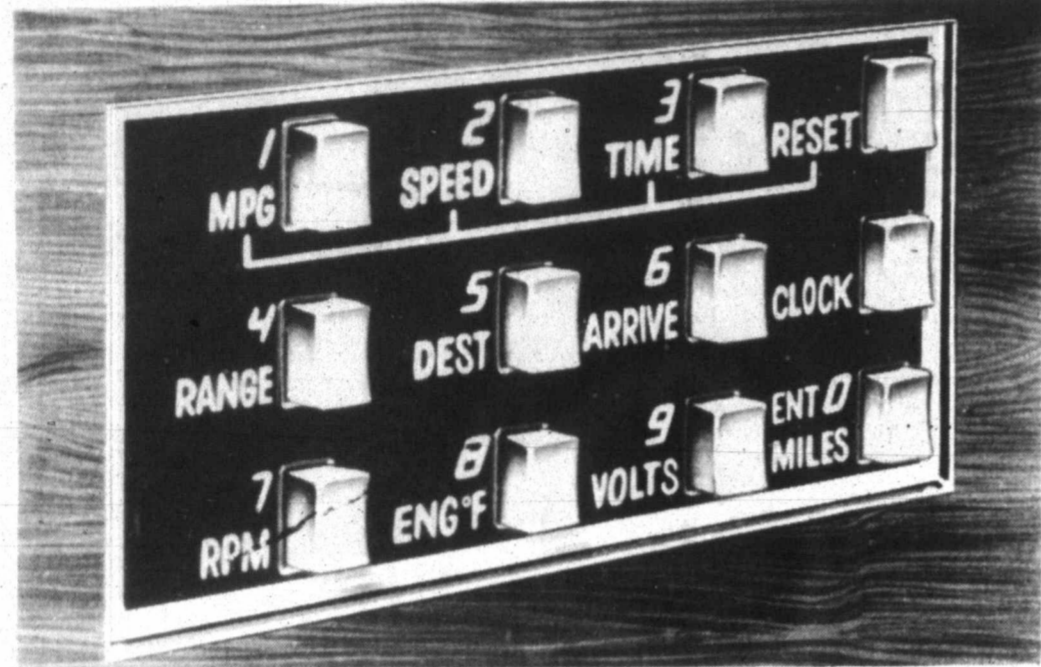
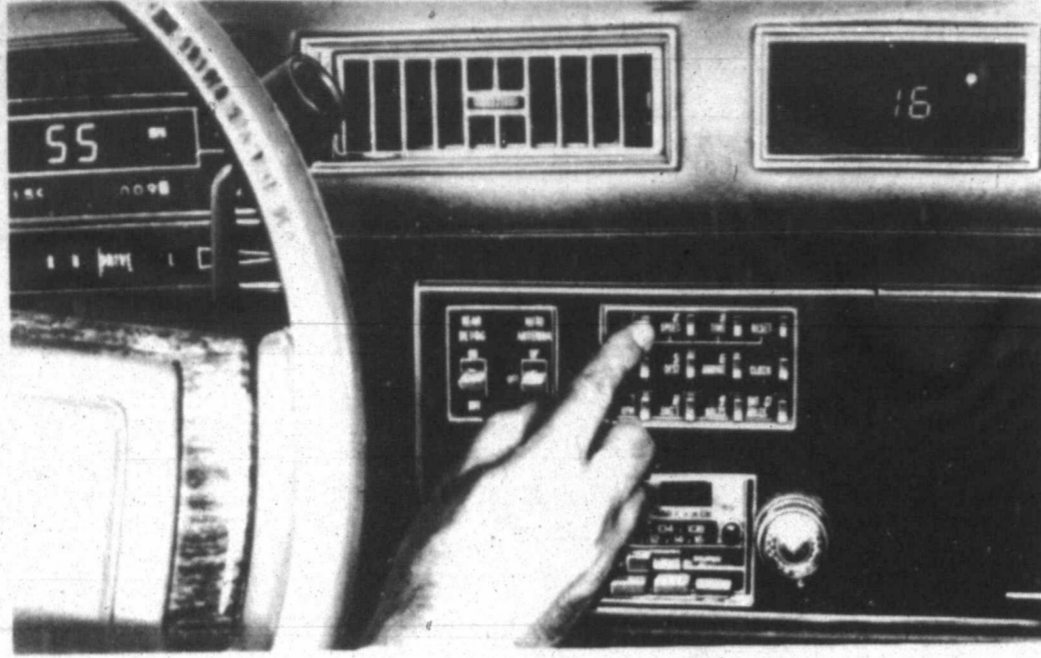
"Microprocessor," she says, "stress situation." "Terminal disconnect." "Stuff like that."

On a less technical level, she adds that the computers are now available only on Seattles, the "little" Cadillacs introduced in 1975. The package, complete with digital speedometer and gas gauge, went on sale last month, and buyers who order it are adding \$875 to the car's price tag.

That's high perhaps, as even G.M. spokesmen will admit. But, they quickly point out, it's not outrageous in a car with a base price of \$14,000 and an average in-the-driveaway cost, with options and taxes, of \$17,000 plus.

"We expect the price will drop considerably as the units are mass-produced," Miss Copty says. "At this point we can't say how much, but the same thing may happen that happened with pocket calculators."

The Trip Computer, however, is a lot brainier than a calculator, if only slightly larger. "The unit is about a foot long, 6 inches wide and 2 inches



high," Miss Copty adds. "It gets its input from three 24-prong plugs, but, of course, some of them are multiplexed so..."

What this means is that the computer is fed more than 72 bits of information about the engine, the time, the fuel, its consumption and the speed of the car. With that data, the busy little box — which can perform a million additions per second — comes up with 11 conclusions and provides them in orange digits on the dashboard display panel. The digits can be bright or dim, depending on the amount of light outside the vehicle, of course. This is not your average dumb car.

And what the computer tells

you, at the push of a button on the keyboard, is this:

- Average gas mileage for the trip so far.
- Actual instantaneous fuel consumption in miles per gallon.
- Average speed.
- Total elapsed trip time for up to 96 hours (the computer works even with ignition off).
- Driving range on remaining gas in the tank.
- Number of miles still to go before you reach your destination.
- Time of day you'll arrive, based on the variables of speed, stops, etc.
- Current time.
- Engine speed in revolutions

per minute.

- Engine temperature in degrees.
- Variations in the car's voltage.

This bombardment of information, according to Miss Copty, makes you a better driver. The computers have been tested since last September, when 125 cars were sent to dealers around the country and supplied to key customers.

Cadillac, naturally, kept tabs on how much they drove and how far, and on their reactions. One woman, testing the car in New York, said she loved the gadget and through it made her smarter. "I drive fast," she

said. "I was heading out of the city, and I checked my average speed. It was 58 miles an hour, so I speeded up to 75 for half an hour, then checked again. I'd only brought my average up to 60, so I saved maybe five minutes. That's just not worth it."

Meanwhile, the competition is not far behind. "Everybody's been working on these things," says a spokesman for Chrysler, whose demonstration model is in the hands of its test drivers. Ford, too, is headed full tilt into the age of electronic controls, and calls 1978 its "threshold year."



Crumbling Under Pressures?

"American families are disintegrating at an accelerating pace and we may run out of them a year or two before we run out of oil," Prof. Amitai Etzioni of Columbia University told a recent symposium on "The Family: Setting Priorities."

Divorce, one-parent families and modern lifestyles that flaunt the concept of marriage are among many formidable forces lined up against perpetuation of the traditional family structure, Prof. Etzioni noted at the meeting, sponsored by the Institute for Pediatric Service of the Johnson & Johnson Baby Products Company.

The devastating implications for today's youngsters must be addressed by a national tribunal on turning American society around to homespun values again, said Prof. Etzioni. Professionals must focus less attention on troubled individuals and more on troubled families, he concluded.

BOOK SALES

NEW YORK (AP) — Book sales in 1977 totalled \$4,605,500,000, an increase of 10 percent or \$420.3 million over 1976 sales, according to estimates by the Association of American Publishers.

The AAP said this was the second highest increase since 1970.

Bicycles most hazardous, skateboards climb rapidly

WASHINGTON (AP) — Skateboards are continuing their rapid climb in the government's ranking of hazardous products, but bicycles still have a firm grip on the No. 1 spot.

Lawn mowing equipment and cookware made large jumps on the list, which rates both the number and severity of injuries.

"Skateboards have been going steadily upwards for years," said Nancy Johnston, director of the National Injury Information Clearinghouse. Noting that "kids find it a lot of fun," she added that, "as in a lot of things, the fun is associated with increased hazards."

Mrs. Johnston's office estimated that 140,070 injuries were associated with skateboards in 1977, five times the 27,522 injuries reported in 1975. Some 3,682 injuries were logged in 1973.

The new Consumer Product Hazard List for fiscal 1977 ranks skateboards seventh

among products with which people hurt themselves, a climb from 18th place the year before.

On the other hand, the danger from liquid fuels — gasoline, kerosene and charcoal starter, for instance — seemed to decline.

The hazard ratings are compiled by analyzing data from 119 hospital emergency rooms across the country.

Skateboards received a hazard index rating of 11.111 in 1977. The index combines the number of reported injuries with their severity, giving extra weight if people under age 15 are injured.

In 1978, skateboards had a hazard index of 4.945. Bicycles, with an index of 40.608, remained atop the list.

"I think the real source of most of the bike accidents is traffic," said Ken Giles of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, who added that programs to get bicyclists and

drivers to take an interest in each other may substantially reduce both cycle deaths and injuries.

The top five places on the hazard index remained the same as last year. Stairs ranked second, followed by football, baseball and a combination of swings, slides, seesaws and other playground equipment.

Lawn mowing equipment jumped from 17th to 6th place. While the number of injuries didn't change appreciably, there were more severe injuries and more young people were hurt while using such equipment.

Cookware — metal, ceramic and glass — jumped from 85th to 19th place. "The number of injuries has increased, but I don't know why," Mrs. Johnston said.

Liquid fuels, however, dropped, from 9th to 17th place, perhaps indicating the public is taking more care with these fuels, Mrs. Johnston said.



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